

TCEQ Interoffice Memorandum

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Subject: Toxicological Evaluation of Results from an Ambient Air Sample for Volatile Organic Compounds Collected at Latitude 32.84004, Longitude -97.57500, Downwind of the Vantage Fort Worth Energy LLC - Loyd 1H 2H Facility near Azle, Parker County, Texas

Sample Collected on August 10, 2011, ACL 1108063 (Lab Sample 1108063-001)

Key Points

- Reported concentrations of target volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were either not detected or were detected below levels of short-term health and/or welfare concern.

Background

On August 10, 2011, a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Region 4 Air Investigator collected a 30-minute canister sample (Lab Sample 1108063-001) downwind of the Vantage Fort Worth Energy LLC - Loyd 1H 2H facility in Azle, Parker County, Texas (Latitude 32.84004, Longitude -97.57500). The sample was collected in response to a citizen complaint of a pesticide odor and burning eyes, headaches, nosebleeds, tumors and stomach bleeding. The investigator did not experience odors or health effects during the sampling event. Meteorological conditions measured at the site or nearest stationary ambient air monitoring site indicated that the ambient temperature was 104.6°F with a relative humidity of 25.7%, and winds were from the south-southeast (140°) at 9 miles per hour. The sampling site was 300 to 500 feet from the facility, and the nearest location where the public could have access was more than 500 feet from the facility. The sample was sent to the TCEQ laboratory in Austin, Texas, and analyzed for a range of VOCs. The list of the target analytes that were evaluated in this review are provided in Attachment A. The VOC concentrations were reported in parts per billion by volume (ppbv) (Attachment B and Table 1). Please note that the available canister technology and analysis method cannot capture and/or analyze for all chemicals.

Results and Evaluation

Reported VOC concentrations were compared to TCEQ's short-term health- and/or welfare-based air monitoring comparison values (AMCVs) (Table 1). Short-term AMCVs are guidelines used to evaluate ambient concentrations of a chemical in air and to determine its potential to result in adverse health effects, adverse vegetative effects, or odors. Health AMCVs are set to provide a margin of safety and are set well below levels at which adverse health effects are reported in the scientific literature. If a chemical concentration in ambient air is less than its comparison value, no adverse health effects are expected to occur. If a chemical concentration exceeds its comparison value it does not necessarily mean that adverse effects will occur, but rather that further evaluation is warranted.

All of the 84 VOCs were either not detected or were detected below their respective short-term AMCVs. Exposure to levels of VOCs measured in this sample would not be expected to cause short-term adverse health effects, adverse vegetative effects, or odors.

Please call me at (512) 239-1808 if you have any questions regarding this evaluation.

Attachment A

List of Target Analytes for Canister Samples

ethane	4-methyl-1-pentene	t-1,3-dichloropropylene
ethylene	1,1-dichloroethane	1,1,2-trichloroethane
acetylene	cyclopentane	2,3,4-trimethylpentane
propane	2,3-dimethylbutane	toluene
propylene	2-methylpentane	2-methylheptane
dichlorodifluoromethane	3-methylpentane	3-methylheptane
methyl chloride	2-methyl-1-pentene + 1-hexene	1,2-dibromoethane
isobutane	n-hexane	n-octane
vinyl chloride	chloroform	tetrachloroethylene
1-butene	t-2-hexene	chlorobenzene
1,3-butadiene	c-2-hexene	ethylbenzene
n-butane	1,2-dichloroethane	m & p-xylene
t-2-butene	methylcyclopentane	styrene
bromomethane	2,4-dimethylpentane	1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane
c-2-butene	1,1,1-trichloroethane	o-xylene
3-methyl-1-butene	benzene	n-nonane
isopentane	carbon tetrachloride	isopropylbenzene
trichlorofluoromethane	cyclohexane	n-propylbenzene
1-pentene	2-methylhexane	m-ethyltoluene
n-pentane	2,3-dimethylpentane	p-ethyltoluene
isoprene	3-methylhexane	1,3,5-trimethylbenzene
t-2-pentene	1,2-dichloropropane	o-ethyltoluene
1,1-dichloroethylene	trichloroethylene	1,2,4-trimethylbenzene
c-2-pentene	2,2,4-trimethylpentane	n-decane
methylene chloride	2-chloropentane	1,2,3-trimethylbenzene
2-methyl-2-butene	n-heptane	m-diethylbenzene
2,2-dimethylbutane	c-1,3-dichloropropylene	p-diethylbenzene
cyclopentene	methylcyclohexane	n-undecane

Laboratory Analysis Results

ACL Number: 1108063

Analysis Code: AMOR006

Note: Results are reported in units of parts per billion by volume (ppbv)

Lab ID		1108063-001					
Field ID		15163-081011					
Canister ID		15163					
Analysis Date		08/19/11					
Compound	LCD	Concentration	SDL	Flags**	Concentration	SDL	Flags**
ethane	0.50	140	1.0	T,DI			
ethylene	0.50	5.3	1.0	T,DI			
acetylene	0.50	2.5	1.0	L,F,DI			
propane	0.50	34	1.0	T,DI			
propylene	0.50	0.63	1.0	J,T,DI			
dichlorodifluoromethane	0.20	0.54	0.40	L,DI			
methyl chloride	0.20	0.66	0.40	L,DI			
isobutane	0.21	6.0	0.46	DI			
vinyl chloride	0.17	ND	0.34	DI			
1-butene	0.20	0.37	0.40	J,DI			
1,3-butadiene	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
n-butane	0.20	6.0	0.40	DI			
1-2-butene	0.18	ND	0.36	DI			
bromomethane	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
o-2-butene	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
3-methyl-1-butene	0.23	ND	0.46	DI			
isopentane	0.27	2.0	0.55	L,DI			
trichlorofluoromethane	0.29	0.26	0.59	J,DI			
1-pentane	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
n-pentane	0.27	1.3	0.55	L,DI			
isopentane	0.27	2.0	0.55	DI			
1-2-pentene	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
1,1-dichloroethylene	0.18	ND	0.36	DI			
o-2-pentene	0.25	ND	0.51	DI			
methylene chloride	0.14	ND	0.28	DI			
2-methyl-2-butene	0.23	ND	0.46	DI			
2,2-dimethylbutane	0.21	ND	0.42	DI			
cyclopentane	0.20	ND	0.40	DI			
4-methyl-1-pentene	0.22	0.02	0.44	J,DI			
1,1-dichloroethane	0.19	ND	0.38	DI			
cyclopentane	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
2,3-dimethylbutane	0.28	ND	0.57	DI			
2-methylpentane	0.27	0.35	0.55	J,DI			
3-methylpentane	0.23	0.24	0.46	J,DI			
2-methyl-1-pentene + 1-hexene	0.20	ND	0.40	DI			
n-hexane	0.20	ND	0.40	DI			
chloroform	0.21	ND	0.42	DI			
1-2-hexene	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
o-2-hexene	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
1,2-dichloroethane	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
methylcyclopentane	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
2,4-dimethylpentane	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
1,1,1-trichloroethane	0.26	ND	0.53	DI			
benzene	0.27	0.32	0.55	J,DI			
carbon tetrachloride	0.27	ND	0.55	DI			
cyclohexane	0.24	ND	0.48	DI			
2-methylhexane	0.27	0.14	0.55	J,DI			
2,3-dimethylpentane	0.26	ND	0.53	DI			

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Compound	LOD	Concentration	SDL	Flags**	Concentration	SDL	Flags**
3-methylhexane	0.20	ND	0.40	D1			
1,2-dichloropropane	0.17	ND	0.34	D1			
trichloroethylene	0.29	ND	0.59	D1			
2,2,4-trimethylpentane	0.24	ND	0.48	D1			
2-chloropentane	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
n-heptane	0.25	ND	0.51	D1			
o-1,3-dichloropropylene	0.20	ND	0.40	D1			
methylcyclohexane	0.26	ND	0.53	D1			
1,3-dichloropropylene	0.20	ND	0.40	D1			
1,1,2-trichloroethane	0.21	ND	0.42	D1			
2,3,4-trimethylpentane	0.24	ND	0.48	D1			
toluene	0.27	0.16	0.55	J,D1			
2-methylheptane	0.20	0.04	0.40	J,D1			
3-methylheptane	0.23	ND	0.46	D1			
1,2-dibromoethane	0.20	ND	0.40	D1			
n-octane	0.19	ND	0.38	D1			
tetrachloroethylene	0.24	ND	0.48	D1			
chlorobenzene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
ethylbenzene	0.27	0.02	0.55	J,D1			
m & p-xylene	0.27	0.06	0.55	J,D1			
styrene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane	0.20	ND	0.40	D1			
o-xylene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
n-nonane	0.22	ND	0.44	D1			
isopropylbenzene	0.24	ND	0.48	D1			
n-propylbenzene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
m-ethyltoluene	0.11	ND	0.22	D1			
p-ethyltoluene	0.16	ND	0.32	D1			
1,3,5-trimethylbenzene	0.25	0.01	0.51	J,D1			
o-ethyltoluene	0.13	ND	0.26	D1			
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
n-decane	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
1,2,3-trimethylbenzene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
m-diethylbenzene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
p-diethylbenzene	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			
n-undecane	0.27	ND	0.55	D1			

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Quality Control Notes:

D1-sample concentration was calculated using a dilution factor of 4.04.

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Table 1. Comparison of Monitored Concentrations in Lab Sample 1108063-001 to TCEQ Short-Term AMCVs

Lab Sample ID	1108063-001					
Compound	Odor AMCV (ppb _v)	Short-Term Health AMCV (ppb _v)	LOD (ppb _v)	Concentrations (ppb _v)	Flags	SDL (ppb _v)
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	380,000	1,700	0.26	ND	D1	0.53
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	7,300	10	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Not Available	100	0.21	ND	D1	0.42
1,1-Dichloroethane	110,000	1,000	0.19	ND	D1	0.38
1,1-Dichloroethylene	Not Available	180	0.18	ND	D1	0.36
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	Not Available	250	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	Not Available	250	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
1,2-Dibromoethane	10,000	0.5	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
1,2-Dichloroethane	6,000	40	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
1,2-Dichloropropane	250	100	0.17	ND	D1	0.34
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	Not Available	250	0.25	0.01	J,D1	0.51
1,3-Butadiene	230	1,700	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
1-Butene	360	50,000	0.2	0.37	J,D1	0.4
1-Pentene	100	2,600	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	Not Available	750	0.24	ND	D1	0.48
2,2-Dimethylbutane (Neohexane)	Not Available	1,000	0.21	ND	D1	0.42
2,3,4-Trimethylpentane	Not Available	750	0.24	ND	D1	0.48
2,3-Dimethylbutane	Not Available	990	0.28	ND	D1	0.57
2,3-Dimethylpentane	Not Available	850	0.26	ND	D1	0.53
2,4-Dimethylpentane	290,000	850	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
2-Chloropentane (as chloroethane)	Not Available	190	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
2-Methyl-1-Pentene +1-Hexene	20	500	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
2-Methyl-2-Butene	250	500	0.23	ND	D1	0.46
2-Methylheptane	Not Available	750	0.2	0.04	J,D1	0.4

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2-Methylhexane	Not Available	750	0.27	0.14	J,D1	0.55
2-Methylpentane (Isohexane)	83	1,000	0.27	0.35	J,D1	0.55
3-Methyl-1-Butene	250	8,000	0.23	ND	D1	0.46
3-Methylheptane	Not Available	750	0.23	ND	D1	0.46
3-Methylhexane	Not Available	750	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
3-Methylpentane	Not Available	1,000	0.23	0.24	J,D1	0.46
4-Methyl-1-Pentene (as hexene)	20	500	0.22	0.02	J,D1	0.44
Acetylene	620,000	25,000	0.5	2.5	L,T,D1	1
Benzene	2,700	180	0.27	0.32	J,D1	0.55
Bromomethane (methyl bromide)	21,000	30	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
c-1,3-Dichloropropylene	Not Available	10	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
c-2-Butene	2,100	15,000	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
c-2-Hexene	Not Available	500	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
c-2-Pentene	Not Available	2,600	0.25	ND	D1	0.51
Carbon Tetrachloride	97,000	20	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
Chlorobenzene (phenyl chloride)	210	100	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
Chloroform (trichloromethane)	85,000	20	0.21	ND	D1	0.42
Cyclohexane	420	1,000	0.24	ND	D1	0.48
Cyclopentane	Not Available	1,200	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
Cyclopentene	Not Available	2,900	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
Dichlorodifluoromethane	Not Available	10,000	0.2	0.54	L,D1	0.4
Ethane	180,000	Simple Asphyxiant*	0.5	140	T,D1	1
Ethylbenzene	170	20,000	0.27	0.02	J,D1	0.55
Ethylene	270,000	500,000	0.5	5.3	T,D1	1
Isobutane	2,040	8,000	0.23	6	D1	0.46
Isopentane (2-methylbutane)	1,300	68,000	0.27	2	L,D1	0.55

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Compound	Odor AMCV (ppb _v)	Short-Term Health AMCV (ppb _v)	LOD (ppb _v)	Concentrations (ppb _v)	Flags	SDL (ppb _v)
Isoprene	5	20	0.27	2	D1	0.55
Isopropylbenzene (cumene)	100	500	0.24	ND	D1	0.48
m & p-Xylene (as mixed isomers)	80	1,700	0.27	0.06	J,D1	0.55
m-Diethylbenzene	70	460	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
Methyl Chloride (chloromethane)	Not Available	500	0.2	0.66	L,D1	0.4
Methylcyclohexane	150	4,000	0.26	ND	D1	0.53
Methylcyclopentane	1,700	750	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
Methylene Chloride (dichloromethane)	160,000	3,500	0.14	ND	D1	0.28
m-Ethyltoluene	18	250	0.11	ND	D1	0.22
n-Butane	1,200,000	8,000	0.2	6	D1	0.4
n-Decane	620	1,750	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
n-Heptane	670	850	0.25	ND	D1	0.51
n-Hexane	1,500	1,800	0.2	ND	D1	0.4
n-Nonane	2,200	2,000	0.22	ND	D1	0.44
n-Octane	1,700	750	0.19	ND	D1	0.38
n-Pentane	1,400	68,000	0.27	1.3	L,D1	0.55
n-Propylbenzene	3.8	250	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
n-Undecane	Not Available	550	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
o-Ethyltoluene	Not Available	250	0.13	ND	D1	0.26
o-Xylene	380	1,700	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
p-Diethylbenzene	0.39	460	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
p-Ethyltoluene	8.3	250	0.16	ND	D1	0.32
Propane	1,500,000	Simple Asphyxiant*	0.5	34	T,D1	1
Propylene	13,000	Simple Asphyxiant*	0.5	0.63	J,T,D1	1
Styrene	25	5,100	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
t-1,3-Dichloropropylene	Not Available	10	0.2	ND	D1	0.4

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Compound	Odor AMCV (ppbv)	Short-Term Health AMCV (ppbv)	LOD (ppbv)	Concentrations (ppbv)	Flags	SDL (ppbv)
t-2-Butene	2,100	15,000	0.18	ND	D1	0.36
t-2-Hexene	Not Available	500	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
t-2-Pentene	Not Available	2,600	0.27	ND	D1	0.55
Tetrachloroethylene	770	1,000	0.24	ND	D1	0.48
Toluene	170	4,000	0.27	0.16	J,D1	0.55
Trichloroethylene	3,900	100	0.29	ND	D1	0.59
Trichlorofluoromethane	5,000	10,000	0.29	0.26	J,D1	0.59
Vinyl Chloride	Not Available	26,000	0.17	ND	D1	0.34

*A simple asphyxiant displaces air, lowering the partial pressure of oxygen and causing hypoxia at sufficiently high concentrations.

ppbv - Parts per billion by volume.

ND - Not detected.

NQ - Concentration can not be quantified.

LOD - Limit of detection.

SDL - Sample Detection Limit (LOD adjusted for dilutions).

INV - Invalid.

J - Reported concentration is below SDL.

L - Reported concentration is at or above the SDL and is below the lower limit of quantitation.

E - Reported concentration exceeds the upper limit of instrument calibration.

M - Result modified from previous result.

T - Data was not confirmed by a confirmational analysis. Data is tentatively identified.

C - Sample received with missing or broken custody seal.

D1 - Sample concentration was calculated using a dilution factor of 4.04.

Table 2. TCEQ Long-Term Air Monitoring Comparison Values (AMCVs)

Please Note: The long-term AMCVs are provided for informational purposes only because it is scientifically inappropriate to compare short-term monitored values to the long-term AMCV.

Compound	Long-Term Health AMCV (ppb _v)	Compound	Long-Term Health AMCV (ppb _v)
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	940	Cyclopentane	120
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	1	Cyclopentene	290
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	10	Dichlorodifluoromethane	1,000
1,1-Dichloroethane	100	Ethane	Simple Asphyxiant*
1,1-Dichloroethylene	86	Ethylbenzene	450
1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	25	Ethylene**	5,300
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	25	Isobutane	800
1,2-Dibromoethane	0.05	Isopentane (2-methylbutane)	8,000
1,2-Dichloroethane	1	Isoprene	2
1,2-Dichloropropane	10	Isopropylbenzene (cumene)	50
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	25	m & p-Xylene (as mixed isomers)	140
1,3-Butadiene	9.1	m-Diethylbenzene	46
1-Butene	Not Available	Methyl Chloride (chloromethane)	50
1-Pentene	Not Available	Methylcyclohexane	400
2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	75	Methylcyclopentane	75
2,2-Dimethylbutane (Neohexane)	100	Methylene Chloride (dichloromethane)	100
2,3,4-Trimethylpentane	75	m-Ethyltoluene	25
2,3-Dimethylbutane	99	n-Butane	800
2,3-Dimethylpentane	85	n-Decane	175
2,4-Dimethylpentane	85	n-Heptane	85
2-Chloropentane (as chloroethane)	19	n-Hexane	190
2-Methyl-1-Pentene +1-Hexene	50	n-Nonane	200

Compound	Long-Term Health AMCV (ppb _v)	Compound	Long-Term Health AMCV (ppb _v)
2-Methyl-2-Butene	50	n-Octane	75
2-Methylheptane	75	n-Pentane	8,000
2-Methylhexane	75	n-Propylbenzene	25
2-Methylpentane (Isohexane)	100	n-Undecane	55
3-Methyl-1-Butene	800	o-Ethyltoluene	25
3-Methylheptane	75	o-Xylene	140
3-Methylhexane	75	p-Diethylbenzene	46
3-Methylpentane	100	p-Ethyltoluene	25
4-Methyl-1-Pentene (as hexene)	50	Propane	Simple Asphyxiant*
Acetylene	2,500	Propylene	Simple Asphyxiant*
Benzene	1.4	Styrene	110
Bromomethane (methyl bromide)	3	t-1,3-Dichloropropylene	1
c-1,3-Dichloropropylene	1	t-2-Butene	Not Available
c-2-Butene	Not Available	t-2-Hexene	50
c-2-Hexene	50	t-2-Pentene	Not Available
c-2-Pentene	Not Available	Tetrachloroethylene***	3.8
Carbon Tetrachloride	2	Toluene	1,100
Chlorobenzene (phenyl chloride)	10	Trichloroethylene	10
Chloroform (trichloromethane)	2	Trichlorofluoromethane	1,000
Cyclohexane	100	Vinyl Chloride	0.45

*A simple asphyxiant displaces air, lowering the partial pressure of oxygen and causing hypoxia at sufficiently high concentrations.

**Long-term vegetation AMCV for Ethylene is 30 ppb.

***Long-term vegetation AMCV for Tetrachloroethylene is 12 ppb.